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QUOTE

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E.O. 11652: NA

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SUBJ: EA NARCOTICS CONFERENCE

REF: STATE 235699

1. EMBASSY WELCOMES PROPOSED CONFERENCE EA NARCOTICS
COORDINATORS. ALTHOUGH GOS SHOULD BE NOTIFIED, EMBASSY
DOES NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD POSE ANY OBJECTION TO SINGA-
PORE'S SELECTION AS CONFERENCE SITE.

2. WHILE HOTEL SPACE MORE THAN SUFFICIENT, CHANCERY
CONFERENCE SPACE INADEQUATE TO ACCOMMODATE 50 PERSONS
COMFORTABLY. SINCE CLASSIFIED MATTERS WILL ALMOST
CERTAINLY BE FREQUENTLY DISCUSSED, HOTEL SITE WOULD BE
INAPPROPRIATE. ONLY FEASIBLE SITE IS USIS CONFERENCE

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ROOM LOCATED BASEMENT OF CHANCERY WHICH COULD COMFORTABLY

ACCOMMODATE MAXIMUM 35 PERSONS. ALTHOUGH THIS ROOM LOCATED NEXT TO COMMERCIAL LIBRARY AND USIS OFFICE MANNED BY LOCAL EMPLOYEES, BELIEVE CONFERENCE COULD BE HELD IN RELATIVE SECURITY. EMBASSY CONCERNED THAT IF MORE THAN 35 PERSONS ATTEND, CONFEREES WOULD BE CRAMPED AND UNCOMFORTABLE OVER THREE DAY PERIOD AND WOULD SEVERELY STRETCH EMBASSY'S ADMINISTRATIVE RESOURCES.

3. EMBASSY MOTOR POOL NOT SUFFICIENT TO ALLOW PARTICIPANTS TO BE MET UPON ARRIVAL OR TO BE PROVIDED TRANSPORTATION DURING CONFERENCE; HOWEVER, TAXIS ARE PLENTIFUL, MOST REASONABLY PRICED AND DRIVERS SPEAK ENGLISH. IF DEPARTMENT WANTS STENOGRAPHIC RECORD OR FULL MINUTES OF MEETINGS, ADDITIONAL SECRETARIAL STAFF SHOULD BE ASSIGNED.

4. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER CONFERENCE CAN BE LIMITED TO 35; 0
458:80-,57, ANTICIPATED NUMBER WHO WILL STAY ON FOR WORKSHOP ON AMERICAN OVERSEAS COMMUNITY PROBLEMS AND HOW MANY ADDITIONAL PERSONS WOULD COME FROM WASHINGTON FOR WORKSHOP. ON BALANCE, BELIEVE IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE FOR WORKSHOP TO BE HELD FOLLOWING RATHER THAN PRIOR TO EA CONFERENCE.
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